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1. OFFICIAL SOVIET FOREIGN TRADE FIGURES FOR 1974 HAVE NOW BEEN RELEASED IN ANNUAL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICAL REVIEW (VNESHNYAYA TORGOVLYA SSSR ZA 1974 GOD-STATISTICHESKIY OBZOR), COPIES OF WHICH DEPARTMENT AND WASHINGTON AGENCIES SHOULD RECEIVE SHORTLY THROUGH REGULAR CHANNELS.

2. SECTION FOR TRADE WITH UNITED STATES SHOWS TOTAL EXPORTS VALUED AT RUBLES 177.3 MILLION (US DOLS 253.5 MILLION AT CURRENT EXCHANGE RATE) AND IMPORTS AT RUBLES 564.9 MILLION (US DOLS 807.8 MILLION), FOR TOTAL TURNOVER OF RUBLES 742.2 MILLION OR US DOLS 1.06 BILLION. OFFICIAL US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FIGURES ARE US EXPORTS DOLLS 611.9 MILLION AND US IMPORTS US DOLS 349.5 MILLION FOR TOTAL TURNOVER OF DOLS 961.4 MILLION. DIFFERENCES ARE DUE PARTLY TO DIFFERENT U.S. AND SOVIET METHODOLOGY IN COMPILING STATISTICS, WHICH INCLUDE SOVIET PRACTICE OF VALUING EXPORTS CIF, AND IMPORTS FOB.

3. FOLLOWING ARE COMMODITY LISTINGS VALUED AT OVER ONE MILLION RUBLES FOR TRADE WITH THE UNITED STATES. THESE ACCOUNT FOR MOST OF COMMODITY CATEGORIES LISTED.

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SOVIET EXPORTS TO US (TOTAL) 177.3 MILLION RUBLES
 OF WHICH
 MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT AND TRANSPORT VEHICLES 1.2
 CHROME ORE 10.5
 CHEMICAL PRODUCTS 19.6
 CAPROLACTAM 2.7
 UREA 13.2
 POTASH 3.2
 FURS 2.1
 CULTURAL GOODS 4.4
 WATCHES AND WATCH MECHANISMS 1.8
 SOVIET IMPORTS FROM US (TOTAL) 564.9 MILLION RUBLES
 OF WHICH
 MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, AND TRANSPORT VEHICLES 188.8
 METAL CUTTING TOOLS 9.3
 LINES OF METAL CUTTING TOOLS 20.1
 EQUIPMENT FOR AUTOMOBILE FACTORIES 26.1
 ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL FURNACES 8.2
 FOUNDRY EQUIPMENT 16.5
 LOADING MACHINES, EXCLUDING THOSE FOR
 UNDERGROUND WORK 2.0
 EQUIPMENT FOR TEXTILE INDUSTRY 5.0
 EQUIPMENT FOR CHEMICAL INDUSTRY 8.1
 BULLDOZERS 3.5
 EQUIPMENT AND SPARE PARTS FOR ROAD AND
 ROAD CONSTRUCTION MACHINERY 8.1
 PIPELAYERS 8.7
 PUMPS 5.9
 TURBO-COMPRESSORS 19.3
 ELECTRONIC COMPUTERS 3.0
 INSTRUMENTS AND LABORATORY EQUIPMENT 5.0
 OIL PRODUCTS, SYNTHETIC LIQUID FUEL 1.3
 ALUMINA 5.0
 FLUORSPAR 2.0
 STEEL SHEETS 4.0
 CHEMICAL PRODUCTS 34.2
 PLASTIC AND MATERIALS FOR PRODUCING PLASTIC 15.8
 CARBON BLACK 3.7
 MONOETHANOLAMINE 2.0
 SOLVENTS 4.2

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AGRICULTURAL INSECTICIDES 4.5
 CELLULOSE 1.8
 SYNTHETIC FIBERS 1.3
 SILK THREAD 6.8
 RAW HIDES 10.1
 SAUSAGE CASINGS 3.0
 GRAIN (EXCLUDING FEED GRAINS) 264.1
 WHEAT 102.8

CORN	146.7	
ALMONDS	3.3	
PUBLISHED MATERIALS		1.7
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